

## GOSPEL PEARLS

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The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger.

When they saw this,  
they made known the message  
that had been told them about this child.

All who heard it were amazed  
by what had been told them by the shepherds.

And Mary kept all these things,  
reflecting on them in her heart.

Then the shepherds returned,  
glorifying and praising God  
for all they had heard and seen,  
just as it had been told to them.

When eight days were completed for his circumcision,  
he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel  
before he was conceived in the womb.

(Lk 2:16-21)